ABSOLUTE RATING: Below Average IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of middle schools with students similar to ours: 37. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to average. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

2004

Absolute Rating Improvement Rating
2001 Below Average Unsatisfactory
2002
2003

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on 2004 School Report Cards. Social studies scores are to be reported on 2005 School Report Cards.

	NG BASIC OR AB English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=820)	61%	56.6%	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=126)	22.2%	28.9%		
Students without disabilities (n=681)	69.3%	62.9%		
Gender				
Male (n=394)	55.6%	61%		
Female (n=413)	68%	54.7%		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=366)	51.9%	45.6%		
Hispanic (n=20)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=389)	70.2%	66.6%		
Other (n=32)	75.0%	84.4%		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=519)	56.6%	53%		
Pay for lunch (n=287)	71.4%	66.7%		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
SCHOOL				
 Dollars spent per student 	\$3,575	N/A	\$5,181	\$5,127
Prime instructional time	88.8%	Down from 89.4%	89.5%	89.6%
 Student-teacher ratio 	23.7 to 1	N/A	20.7 to 1	21.4 to 1
in core subjects				
STUDENTS (n=980)				
Attendance rate	95.8%	No change	95.6%	95.7%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	2.5%	N/A	5.9%	4.5%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level 	1.6%	N/A	5.7%	4.0%
Retention rate	12%	Up from 4.3%	5.2%	4.5%
TEACHERS (n=55)				
 Professional Development days per teacher 	8.5 Days	Up from 6.8	7.9 Days	8.0 Days
Attendance Rate	93.8%	Down from 94.5%	95.1%	95.2%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	41.8%	Down from 49.1%	41.5%	45.8%
 Continuing contract teachers 	70.9%	Up from 70.2%	79.5%	80.8%
 Teachers with out-of-field permits 	1.8%	Up from 0%	1.9%	2.4%
 Teachers returning from the previous school year 	78.1%	Down from 80.5%	83%	83.7%
Average teacher salary	\$36,228	Up 2.7%	\$35,964	\$37,455

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
SCHOOL				
Dropout rate	0.6%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	67.2%	N/A	61.7%	61.5%
 Principal's years at the school 	ol 6	N/A	3	3.0
 Parents attending conferences 	90%	N/A	84.3%	78.2%
 Opportunities in the arts 	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	75.4%	Up from 13.2%	52.7%	45.8%
 On academic probation 	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	11.7%	Up from 8%	6.2%	4.5%
 Suspended or expelled 	42	N/A	17	15
Enrolled in high school credit courses	7.5%	N/A	11.8%	13.2%
Gifted and talented	7.3%	Down from 8.2%	10.2%	12.1%
With disabilities other than speech	16.8%	Up from 16.6%	14.5%	13.6%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Sedgefield Middle delivers a challenging curriculum to meet the unique developmental and learning needs of our students. The collaborative efforts of our School Improvement Council, the PTO, and the teachers and staff enable us to provide rigorous instruction, improve standardized test scores and promote community involvement.

Student achievement is monitored regularly through STAR Reader and STAR Math programs. Students read and write across the curriculum utilizing the Cunningham Four Block Model, 6 +1 Writing Traits, and SOAR to Success. Connected Math includes both 6th and 7th grades this year. New curriculum materials and standards promote practical, research-based applications in math, science and social studies classes. Advanced classes in mathematics and language arts are available to challenge qualified 7th and 8th grade students. Before and after-school tutoring is offered each week. Our focus on curriculum resulted in eleven eighth grade students achieving Junior Scholar status.

The core curriculum is supplemented by a diverse Related Arts program. For the 15th consecutive year our band achieved the Outstanding Performance Award. Several students received S.C. Press awards for features in our student newspaper. Student artwork was selected for display in various venues. Additional related arts opportunities were available through career technology, health, physical education, foreign language, and after-school intramural activities. The 500 service learning projects completed by our students helped them focus on the importance of community involvement. By participating in the St. Jude's Math-athon, students raised funds to help burn victims. Students donated more than \$800 to the Leukemia Foundation of America through the Pennies for Pasta fund raiser.

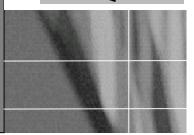
This report serves as a snapshot of past performance and a road map to areas where improvement is still needed.

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Grades 6-8 Middle School

Enrollment: 980 Students



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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School Report Card 2001

School Grade: Unsatisfactory

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

For more information, visit our website at www.myscschools.com

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	68.2	61.4	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	93.0	66.5	
Satisfied with home-school relations	25.0	78.6	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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